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NEWS RELEASE SUMMARY - September 15, 2008

United States Attorney Karen P. Hewitt announced that Scott Steven Scilagyi was sentenced today in federal court in San Diego by United States District Judge Marilyn L. Huff to serve 15 months in custody based on his conviction for federal firearms violations. In addition to the custodial sentence, Judge Huff ordered that Scilagyi serve a two-year term of supervised release following his release from prison.

In connection with his guilty plea on June 10, 2008, Scilagyi admitted to being a felon in possession of a firearm, specifically a Derringer 38 caliber handgun, model 38, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(g)(1) and 924(a)(2). According to court documents, Scilagyi was previously convicted in the Superior Court of California, County of Visalia, in September 2000, of Grand Theft.

The conviction and sentence arise from Scilagyi's arrest on December 7, 2007, at the San Ysidro, California Port of Entry. On that day, Scilagyi attempted to enter the United States from Mexico as the driver of a vehicle which was later found to contain a loaded handgun wrapped in a white towel hidden between the driver's seat and the front console center of the vehicle.

DEFENDANT

Case Number: 08CR0447H

Scott Steven Scilagyi

SUMMARY OF CHARGES

Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(g)(1) and 924(a)(2) - Felon in Possession of a Firearm

AGENCIES

Immigration and Customs Enforcement
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms & Explosives
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